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In re Appln. of: BALZER et al  
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Docket: LIP036

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Also, WO9808668 is concisely explained in the Specification on page 2, line 25 through page 4, line 9.

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Finally, the applicant urges that the claims are patentable over the disclosed information.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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	1	0 491 093 A1	6/24/1992	EPO	B29C	47/06		
	2	WO9808668	3/5/1998	PCT	B29C	47/04		✓

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